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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3743

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FOR AMBASSADOR MARSHALL GREEN FROM CHARGE

ALSO FOR AID: PHA/POP

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SPOP OTRA (SIMMONS, ROBERT F.)

SUBJECT: POPULATION: VISIT OF ROBERT F. SIMMONS

REF: (A) CAIRO 5617, (B) STATE 70711

1. IN ADDITION TO MEETING WITH CHARGE, APPOINTMENTS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED WITH THE FOLLOWING: A. USAID MISSION DIRECTOR, DONALD S. BROWN; B. DR. IBRAHIM BADRAN, MINISTER OF HEALTH; C. DR. AZIZ BINDARY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NATIONAL POPULATION AND FAMILY PLANNING BOARD; D. DR. FATHIA MARSFAWI, DIRECTOR OF FAMILY PLANNING, CENTRAL SERVICES SECTOR, MINISTRY OF HEALTH; E. USAID POPULATION OFFICER, DR. M. M. SHUTT.

2. ANTICIPATE THAT APPOINTMENT WILL BE MADE WITH DR. WAFIK HASSOUNA OF INSTITUTE OF PLANNING. HASSOUNA REPORTEDLY RETURNING TO CAIRO FROM KUWAIT APRIL 10.

3. USAID RECEIVED INQUIRIES FROM THREE PEOPLE CONCERNING SIMMONS VISIT PRIOR TO RECEIPT REF B AND KNOWLEDGE OF SIMMONS VISIT OR PURPOSE THEREOF. SIMMONS APPARENTLY HAD BEEN IN PERSONAL CONTACT WITH THEM: A. FATHER BERT LINDER PHONED TO SAY THAT UNFORTUNATELY HE WOULD BE OUT OF THE  
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COUNTRY BEGINNING FRIDAY, MARCH 31ST, FOR UNSPECIFIED PERIOD.

B. MR. STEVE BLACKBURN, FORMERALLY OF IRC, CAME TO OFFICE TO INQUIRE OF VISIT; BUT DID NOT LEAVE HIS ADDRESS OR TELEPHONE NUMBER. C. MR. SHAFIK GABR LEFT HIS NEW TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND MESSAGE THAT HE ALSO MAY BE LEAVING CAIRO ON OR ABOUT APRIL 16.

4. APPOINTMENTS HAVE BEEN CONCENTRATED DURING EARLY PART OF VISIT. OUR EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN THAT DR. BINDARY AND DR. BADRAN WILL MAKE SUGGESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS DURING THEIR MEETINGS, AND WILL FACILITATE ARRANGEMENTS. SCHEDULE WILL ACCOMMODATE THIS.

5. AS SIMMONS WISHES, ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS CAN BE MADE WITH UNICEF, EGYPTIAN FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION, CARE, CRS, CAIRO FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION, FORD FOUNDATION, SOCIAL RESEARCH CENTER AT AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF CAIRO, OR OTHERS.

6. WHILE FRIDAYS ARE RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY IN EGYPT, A FIELD TRIP CAN BE ARRANGED TO A NEARBY GOVERNORATE DEPENDING UPON SIMMONS' WISHES AND ADDITIONS TO SCHEDULED VISITS PER PARA 4 AND 5 ABOVE.  
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